

# Village of Los Lunas



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## Voters To Elect Mayor, Judge, 2 Councilors

Registered voters in the village limits can now vote by absentee ballot in the March 7, 2006, municipal election.

On Wednesday, February 15, voters can vote on a voting machine at the administration building located at Main Street and Don Pasqual. Voters can vote on

the machine through 5 PM Friday, March 3.

Election day is Tuesday, March 7, with the polls open at the administration building from 7 AM to 7 PM.

Candidates for mayor are Frank A. Otero and Louis F. Huning.

Candidates for councilor are:

District 2 — Charles Griego.

District 4 — Robert E. Vialpando and Victor P. Vigil.

Candidates for municipal judge are Jeff P. Aragon, Glen E. Walker, and Patrick M. Ortiz.

Candidates are listed in ballot order.

If you have questions call 839-3840.

## Village Council Establishes Water Shortage Plan

The Los Lunas Village Council has passed an ordinance establishing an emergency water shortage plan which is intended to provide a means for the village's governing body to implement measures to manage water use in response to emergencies or catastrophic events that may disrupt the municipal water supply system.

Reasons for initiating the plan include a general water supply shortage due to a sudden increase in demand or a reduction at the source of the water supply; the water supply system being unable to maintain minimum water quality standards; and a mechanical or structural breakdown of the supply, storage and/or distribution facilities of the water supply system.

There are three water emergency stages which are triggered by an impending shortage of water.

Stage One would involve voluntary compliance. In Stage One

residents would be encouraged to minimize indoor water use, restaurant owners would be encouraged to discontinue serving non-bottled drinking water and spray irrigation would be prohibited during certain times.

Stage Two calls for mandatory compliance and includes all the requirements in Stage One. Additional requirements include no new in-ground landscaping except for

xeriscapes using drip or subsurface irrigation and prohibiting the use of drinking water for washing of vehicles.

Stage Three, also requiring mandatory compliance, prohibits watering of any lawn, garden or landscaped area with certain exceptions and encourages commercial

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### Daniel Fernandez Addition

**A new \$516,058 addition is completed on the south side of the Daniel Fernandez Youth Center in Daniel Fernandez Park. The upgrade to the facility include a weight room with cardiovascular equipment as well as redoing the heating and cooling systems. The park is located on Highway 314 in South Los Lunas**

# Off-Highway Vehicles Rules Set by Council

The Village Council has approved an amendment dealing with motorcycles and off-highway vehicles to the New Mexico Uniform Traffic Ordinance which was adopted by the council and incorporated into the vil-

lage traffic code.

The amendment defines an off-highway vehicle as a "motor vehicle designed by the manufacturer for operation exclusively off the highway or road." There is a further explanation of the definition.

According to the adopted amendment, "no person shall operate an off-highway motor vehicle on any limited access street at any time or any paved street or highway" except "when crossing streets or highways and after coming to a complete stop prior to entering the street."

It is unlawful to operate an off-highway motor vehicle on private lands except with the express permission of the owner of the lands.

Every police officer displaying his badge of office has the authority to enforce the provisions of this amendment.

A person under the age of eighteen shall be required to successfully complete an off-highway motor vehicle safety training course for which the person shall have parental permission.

The amendment also include several safety requirements for the operation of the equipment as well as safety requirements for the equipment.

This amendment also sets operator requirements for the operation of mopeds in the village.

## Water Shortage Plan

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and industrial water users to implement a water conservation program to reduce water use to the minimum levels of absolute necessity.

If the village should ever have to declare a water emergency, the village administrator will make public announcements through the local news media and any other means available that an impending water problem exists and explaining the water conservation requirements of the declared stage.

**VISIT THE  
VILLAGE WEBSITE**  
[www.loslunasnm.gov](http://www.loslunasnm.gov)

### VILLAGE OFFICIALS

*Louis F. Huning* **Mayor**  
**Councilors**

*Cecilia CC Castillo Charles Griego*  
*Gerard Saiz Robert Vialpando*

**Municipal Judge Jeff Aragon**

**Village Administrator**

*Phillip Jaramillo Master Municipal Clerk*  
**Chief of Police Nick Balido**

## CCM Contracting Will Work On Road to Merillat Plant

CCM Contracting will be starting this winter on the project which will extend Desert Willow north to the Merillat Industries plant.

Desert Willow is the street to the west of the Wal-Mart Super Center.

The Merillat Industries plant is currently under construction with an expected completion date of early 2007. It is anticipated that some 700 people will be employed there when the plant is in full production.

Merillat is currently training employees for jobs at the Los Lunas plant at a site in Albuquerque. Merillat received a state economic development grant recently for training.

The extension of Desert Willow includes paving, curb, gutter, and water and sewer.

CCM has been working on the Luna Hills Project which is in the process of completion.



*Pictured above is the Merillat Industries building currently under construction.*

## Attend A Council Meeting!

The Los Lunas Village Council meets twice a month in the council chambers in the Administration Building on the corner of Don Pasqual and Main Street.

Meeting dates for 2006 are:

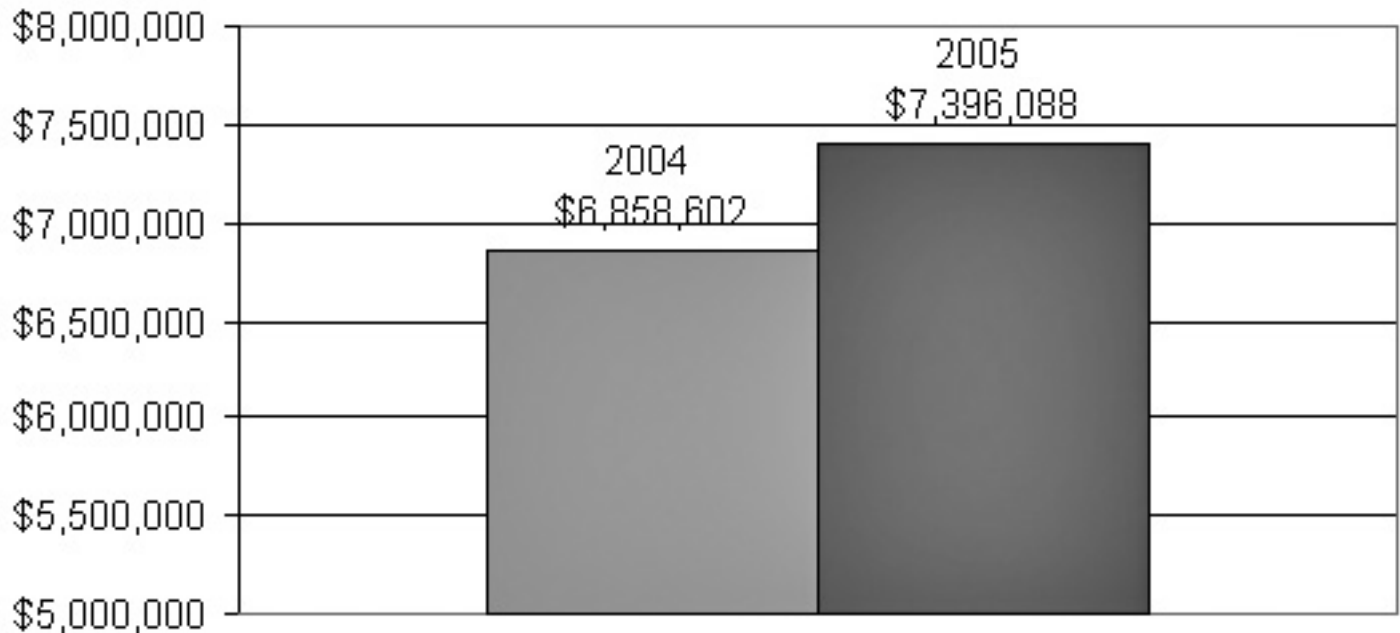
February 9 & 23  
March 16 & 23 April 6 & 20  
May 11 & 25 June 8 & 22  
July 6 & 20 August 3 & 17  
September 7 & 21 October 5 & 19  
November 2 & 16 December 14 & 28

Meetings begin at 6 p.m. Once in a while meetings are rescheduled so check with village officials at 839-3840 to be sure a meeting has not been changed.

The agenda will be available at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the scheduled meeting from the bulletin board in the lobby of the Administration Building, located at 660 Main Street NW, Los Lunas, NM; the Los Lunas Library located at 460 Main Street NE in Los Lunas, NM; and posted on the village website (address: [www.loslunasnm.gov](http://www.loslunasnm.gov)).

# VILLAGE GROSS RECEIPTS TAX COLLECTION CONTINUES UPWARD SWING

The chart below compares the Gross Receipts Tax collected in the village limits during fiscal year 2004 and 2005. Shopping in the local community creates these taxes which support police and fire services as well as other amenities provided by the village.



## DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT

**Saturday, March 25, 2006**

**Daniel Fernandez Park Gym**

**Starts at 9 am Cost: \$15 per person**

This tournament is open to men and women 18 and up with teams consisting of six players each. Individuals and team sign-ups available.

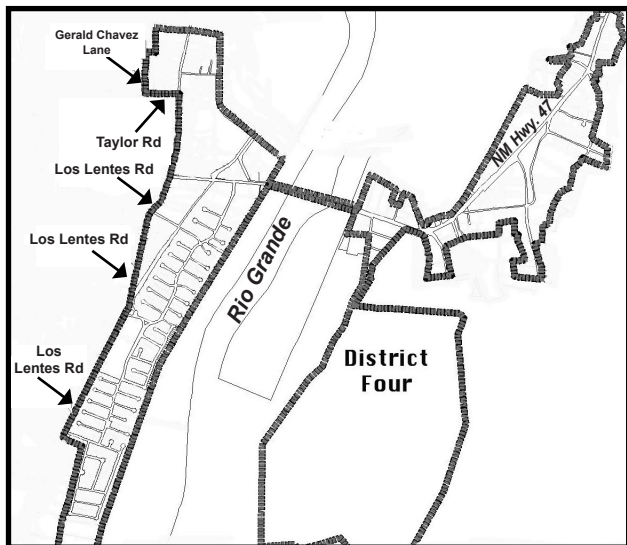
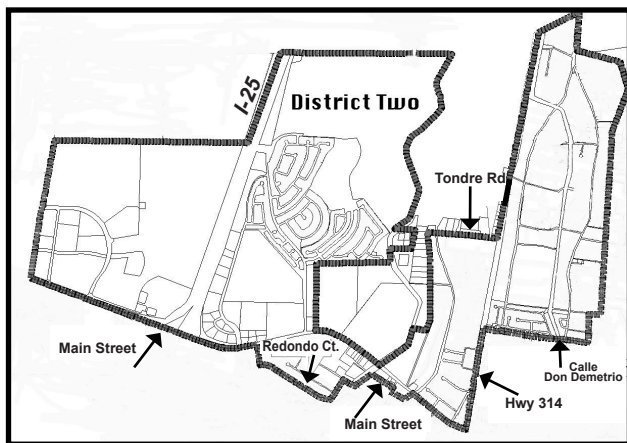
Individuals will be placed on a six-person team.

This tournament is an effort to raise money to equip and support the Los Lunas Fire Department Honor Guard. It is sponsored by the Los Lunas Fire Department and Los Lunas Parks and Recreation Department.

For more information call

**David Foreman 450-5037 Leroy Ortega 604-3088**

**Los Lunas Parks & Recreation — Mike McDaniels 865-5080**



# Election March 7, 2006 For Village Voters

All registered voters who live in the village limits may vote for the position of mayor and judge in the March 7, 2006 municipal election. Registered voters in Council Districts Two and Four will also vote for a village councilor.

The maps to the left show the areas for Council Districts Two and Four.

You may only vote in this election if you are a registered voter in the village limits. Valencia County's voter registration cards have a section that says "City Council District." If there is a number, such as 2, in this box then you have a village councilor and are in the village limits if you don't live in Belen or Bosque Farms.

## Important Election Days

**Wednesday, February 15, 2006**

Absentee Voting By Machine Begins

**Friday, March 3, 2006**

Last Day for Absentee Voting by Machine

Last Day to Issue Absentee Ballots

**Tuesday, March 7, 2006 7 AM - 7 PM**

VOTE IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY

VOTE AT THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING  
660 MAIN STREET CALL 839-3840 WITH QUESTIONS

## GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP DAY

IS COMING IN APRIL CALL MARIE OR JOSIE FOR DETAILS 839-3842



# SAINT PATRICK'S BALLOON RALLY



STARTING AT 7 AM WEATHER PERMITTING  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 18      SUNDAY, MARCH 19**  
**HERITAGE PARK 3445 LAMBROS ROAD LOS LUNAS**  
**MUSIC, ARTS AND CRAFTS, FOOD,**  
**ENTERTAINMENT AND LOTS OF HOT AIR BALLOONS**

Presented by the  
Valencia Flying & Retrieval Society  
and the Los Lunas Parks and Recreation Department  
**For information call 352-3584**